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AUGUST 5, 2021

Dear Millersville University Community,

With the start of the fall semester just a few weeks away, the energy and excitement surrounding a return to campus are palpable. Our guiding principles for the start of the new academic year are to Be Safe, Be Empowered, Be Innovative and Be EPPIIC.

Being safe begins with [vaccination](#). I encourage all eligible individuals to get vaccinated as soon as possible. Campus pop-up clinics will be available on August 25 and September 15 in the Student Memorial Center ([register now](#)). I've also enlisted the help of my friend, [Skully](#), to remind us of all the reasons why we want to get vaccinated.

With [cases rising steadily](#) in Lancaster County and new [CDC guidance](#) recommending "universal indoor masking for all teachers, staff, students, and visitors to schools, regardless of vaccination status," being safe is going to take extra effort. **Beginning Monday, August 9, face coverings will be required for both fully vaccinated and non-vaccinated individuals while indoors when it's not possible to maintain social distance.** Face coverings will be required in classrooms and other common spaces, such as hallways and meeting areas. Individuals are not required to wear face coverings in residence hall suites or when alone in offices. Kindly consult the University's [COVID Updates website](#) for additional information.

The surge in cases associated with the Delta variant is a reminder that we must remain vigilant in our response to the pandemic. To do so, I have established a COVID Monitoring Team (CMT) that will monitor metrics and provide recommendations to inform my Cabinet's decision-making and management of the COVID-19 pandemic. Members include Dr. Duane Hagelgans (Chair), Dr. Victor DeSantis, Gail Fellows, Dr. Rachel Finley-Bowman, Janet Kacskos, Dr. Tim Weaver and, student trustee, Madison Whitcomb. Most have already served on either the Incident Management Team (IMT) or Fall Planning Task Force (FPTF), which will help to ensure continuity into the fall. Along with all members of the IMT and FPTF, the CMT members deserve our thanks for all

they have done and will do to keep our community safe.

These past few weeks have brought many moments of joy as faculty, staff and students have begun to return to campus. I am eager to see that trend continue and know that with a little precaution and care we will have a remarkable and rewarding year. We are ready to get back to our vibrant campus.

Kind Regards,

Daniel A. Wubah
University President

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